

APPROVED MINUTES

Minutes of meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) held on November 26, 2012 in the conference room of the Water Pollution Control Facility, 1122 Universal Drive.

PRESENT: Ms. Sheridan, Messrs.: Johnson, Lane, Pellegrino and Werner
ABSENT: Messrs. Abercrombie and Freda
ALSO PRESENT: Jonathan Bodwell, Town Engineer
Mark Barrows, Plant Manager, Veolia Water
Diane Cuomo, Public Works

Mr. Werner, Chairman of the WPCA, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Ms. Sheridan made a correction to the September 10, 2012, minutes, under #6, last paragraph, to delete "advised" after "reported."

Mr. Pellegrino motioned to approve the minutes as corrected above, seconded by Mr. Lane. The vote was unanimous in favor.

2. WPCF - Plant Operations - status report (MB/Veolia Water)

Mr. Barrows reported the plant is running well and there were no violations to report since September. With regard to nitrogen removal for the year, the cost would be about \$4,900.00.

Mr. Barrows reported that they ran a study trial of a product to reduce nitrification for three weeks. The product did not perform as hoped.

He explained his findings to date and recommended some piping modifications at a cost of about \$5,000.00. After modifications are made, they would like to study the product again after five to six months. The consensus of the commission was to use the maintenance line item to pay for the piping modifications.

Mr. Barrows then presented four (4) bids for the replacement of the ultra-violet lights used in the disinfection process for wastewater. He explained they have an expected life of approximately three (3) years and need to be replaced as such. He reported the low bidder was American UV Depot, LLC at a cost of \$6,175.00.

Mr. Johnson motioned to approve the purchase in the amount of \$6,175.00, seconded by Mr. Pellegrino. The vote was unanimous in favor.

3. Request for Modifications to F.O.G. Regulations

Mr. Bodwell presented the following Requests for Modification of Specific Requirements to FOG Permit:

- a) High Lane Club, 40 High Lane - Requesting exemption due to type, size and operation of food service facility which is a seasonal/snack bar
- b) Old World Brick Oven Apizza, 1957 Whitney Avenue - Requesting exemption due to type, size and operation of food service facility since all food served is bought prepared
- c) Ridge Top Club, 556 Skiff Street – Requesting exemption due to type, size and operation of food service facility which is a seasonal/snack bar

Ms. Sheridan motioned to grant exemptions as indicated above, seconded by Mr. Pellegrino. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Mr. Bodwell then presented a status/ update on the F.O.G. regulations and what is still needed to bring a number of establishments into compliance.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Pellegrino motioned for Town Engineer to send a “Notice of Violation” to any restaurant that has not applied for the FOG Permit as of November 30, 2012. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lane. The vote was unanimous in favor.

4. Miscellaneous

- a) Mr. Bodwell referred to Summer Lane/ Pine Hill Estates development on the East Haven town line. He explained that half have dry sewers but also have a force main system. Each house has a pump which pumps to the top on Summer Lane, then by gravity into our system. All on east end of Summer Lane are on pumps, with dry sewer in street and laterals to individual lots. The reason for this situation is that there is one property between the development and North Hill Road that an easement needs to be obtained from.

Since at least three (3) pump systems have failed at a cost of \$3,000 to \$5,000 each, residents have approached the First Selectman requesting that the dry sewer line be connected. As a result, a meeting has been scheduled with the owner of that parcel to discuss the possibility of an easement across that property to extend the dry sewer to North Hill Road which would then eliminate the need for all the pumps.

The above is for informational purposes.

- b) Mr. Johnson read into record the following article which appeared in the North Haven Citizen on November 2, 2012:

“ Town of North Haven and Veolia Water Receive Award - First Selectman Michael J. Freda announced that the Town of North Haven and Veolia Water North America have been awarded the 2012 Service Award by the National Council for Public Private Partnerships. Throughout the 20-year partnership, Veolia Water has managed the Town’s Water Pollution Control Facility and managed its pumping stations and underground assets including its 120 miles of sanitary sewer lines. The National Council for Public Private Partnerships is a forum that advocates for the formation of public private partnerships at the federal, state and local levels. These partnerships equate into both long-term savings and business-related synergies and benefits and , when honoring the North Haven Veolia Water partnership, the NCPPP recognized the level of quality service provided by the operations and maintenance partnership as well as the overall cost savings to the municipality and subsequently to the Town’s residents. The Town of North Haven and Veolia Water will formally accept this award at the NCPPP’s 2012 Annual Meeting to be held in Arlington, Virginia, in November.”

On behalf of the Commission, Mr. Johnson congratulated Veolia Water North America.

5. Payment of Bills

Bill Number 1904, Veolia Water North America, in the amount of \$7,200.00
Mr. Pellegrino motioned to approve payment, seconded by Mr. Lane. The vote was unanimous in favor.

6. Public Comments

None

7. Adjournment

Mr. Johnson motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Sheridan. The vote was unanimous in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.